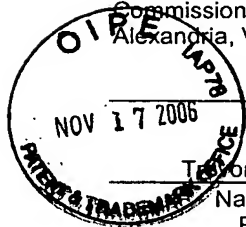


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In reply to an Office Action dated August 16, 2006, Applicants hereby file this Response by Certificate of Mailing. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.